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FOOTBALL NOTES.

Notwithstanding the fact that a bill was pending in the legislature to abolish football the students at the Virginia Polytechnic Institute and University of Virginia went ahead and elected a captain for the next year's teams, leaving the bill and its consequences to take care of themselves as best they might. At the University on Wednesday Harris T. Collier, of Memphis, Tenn., was unanimously elected captain of the '98 football team. At Blacksburg H. A. Johnson was re-elected captain and in commenting on him we quote from "The Cohesive": "It is well for a team to have at its head an able player; better still if to his ability as a player, gentlemanly bearing is added; but when excellent playing and gentlemanly bearing are embodied in the same individual, then surely has a team cause for self-congratulation. Such a combination was realized in Johnson, who has been chosen as captain for the ensuing year. From the first Johnson's manliness was recognized, and with his earliest connection with the team his ability as a player became noticeable; not however, until he became captain this year was his best qualities appreciated. His faithfulness to duty and cheerful assumption of responsibility have endeared him to every member of the team; his manly bearing has raised the standard of each player; his own hard work and earnest endeavor to play his best at all times have shown what can be done, and have increased individual efforts of others—above all it may be said that never did he require one of his men to do what he himself was unwilling to do. What wonder that Johnson was the choice for another year."

Y. M. C. A.
There are dozens of boys and young men who ought to join the Y. M. C. A. educational classes. Call around and investigate. Both young men and young ladies are cordially invited to hear Rev. C. D. Bull in Association Hall to-morrow afternoon at 4 o'clock. The subject of the address will be "Constancy." Every young person in the city hear it. There will be special music by the choir of Grace M. E. Church. Boys' gymnasium class to-day at 10:30. There will be no 8 o'clock class now until after Christmas.

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REFERRED TO SCANDAL.

Mr. Folkes Makes a Caustic Speech on the Text Book Question.

Richmond, Dec. 17.—The history scandal came up in the house yesterday in an unexpected manner. Mr. Folkes, of Richmond, in supporting his resolution looking to having text books printed in Virginia, gave his reasons for introducing the subject. He said:
"I thought it was about time to end some of the book scandals with which we are now harassed. I thought we might reach a point where we might print the histories for the Southern school children. We could then," continued Mr. Folkes, "force some of those generals, majors and colonels, who have won their titles twenty-five years after the war, to pull down their signs and give honor to whom honor is due."

FOUND GUILTY OF HERESY.

Rev. Dr. M. H. Houston Threatened With Suspension.

Louisville, Dec. 17.—The Louisville Presbytery has found the Rev. Dr. M. H. Houston guilty of heresy, because of his views on sanctification. He was admonished to lay these aside and conform to the views and practices of the church, otherwise he will be suspended from the church. The verdict of the Presbytery was delivered to-day.

Dr. Houston is a well-known preacher and for thirty years was a missionary in China, where he is alleged to have taught his doctrines. He may make an appeal to the synod.

WAYLAIN AND ROBBED.

Luray, Va., Dec. 17.—John Knott, an elderly citizen of this county, was waylaid and robbed near Luray last evening, on his way home, and all his money, a small sum, taken. The parties tried to drag him on the railroad track, but failing, left him unconscious lying in the rain. Mr. Knott has no idea who his assailants are.

JOHNSON DROPPED.

Covington, Tenn., Dec. 17.—William Johnson was hanged here to-day. Sheriff Lauderdale officiated. The condemned man walked quietly from his cell to the scaffold. He made a full confession and died with a smile.

IN LABOR CIRCLES.

The regular meeting of the Central Trades and Labor Council was in session last night. There was a good attendance and the Council did considerable important business. This body is making rapid progress in this city and labor issues are constantly under consideration. Among business transacted last night was the nomination and election of officers. Following were elected: President, Jos. J. Morgan; vice president, J. H. Best; recording secretary, P. L. Gardner; financial secretary, Frank W. Goodman; treasurer, William McDermott; sergeant-at-arms, M. Hawkins. Trustees, W. H. Fosse, A. P. Brodie and P. M. Bowers.

A GOOD IMPROVEMENT.

Since many students come to us for a business course, who are not sufficiently grounded in the ordinary English branches to make anything like the best possible use of our business training, we have found it necessary to increase the scope of our English course, without additional cost to the student, and we can now offer advantages in this direction excelled by no school in the country. We have spared no expense to get an instructor who, for the past year, has made our Normal English work a crowning success. Those who can pass satisfactory examinations need not take the English work; but those who cannot pass the examinations should not only have but want the English, because they cannot have good success without English. This feature is not a new one; we have only added to it. It has developed the school; and now, for the good of all, we shall push it. Correspondence solicited. Call at the Business College and see for your self.

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WILL BE CONFIRMED.

Washington, Dec. 17.—If there is to be a fight against Judge McKenna in the Senate that fact will soon develop, now that he has been nominated. It is not believed, however, that the opposition to Mr. McKenna will gain much strength. Both the California Senators are agreed on the nomination and will urge his speedy confirmation. Chairman Hear, of the committee on judiciary, is friendly to Mr. McKenna, and there seems to be no reason to doubt that confirmation will follow with reasonable speed.

SANDBAGGED AND ROBBED.

Camden, N. J., Dec. 17.—Surrogate George S. West was sandbagged and robbed by footpads last night. His mind is unbalanced as a result of a blow on his head, and he can give no intelligent account of the assault. His clothing was soaking wet when he reached home last night, and he spoke incoherently about an attempt to throw him into the river.

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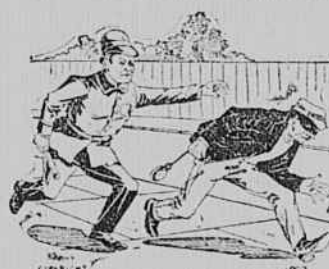
DIED FROM A CAT'S BITE.

Child Attacked With Convulsions Three Weeks After Receiving the Wound.

Winston, N. C., Dec. 17.—The 5-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. David Moore died a horrible death at Guilford College this morning. Three weeks ago the little fellow was bitten on the hand by a cat. No attention was paid to it until a few days ago, when the boy became sick, and was thrown into convulsions. He continued to grow worse, until this morning, when death ended his sufferings.

It was not thought so at the time, but it is believed now that the cat was rabid when it bit the boy. The same feline bit Dr. Robertson, a well-known physician of Guilford College, through the ear a few days ago. He is naturally greatly excited since the illness and death of the child, and has written to Baltimore for treatment.

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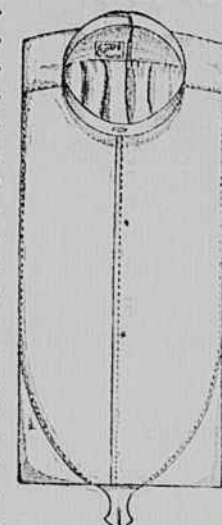
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Sterling Silver Vaseline Boxes, at 25c, 49c and 69c.

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Full lines of Umbrellas from 50c up

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